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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby call the following documents, which were cited in an International Search Report issued on September 16, 2003, with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP03/07308, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application, to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-334076, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-038349, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 6-32061, together with a partial English language translation of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 7-096085, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

European Patent Application Publication No. EP 0 895 835, together with patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,920,988; and

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-320399, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the Examiner applying the appropriate rules to the claims are set forth in the International Search Report, a copy of which was filed on July 29, 2004.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents are listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached

Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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Partial English Language Translation of JP 6-32061.

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